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Mr. James P. Bearzi, Chief  
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Dear Mr. Bearzi:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has received the final document entitled *Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) Report for the Mora River (Highway 434 to Luna Creek)*. Based on our review, we conclude that the TMDLs listed below meet the requirements found in Section 303(d) of the Clean Water Act and the implementing regulations found at 40 CFR §130.7. The EPA approves the loadings contained in the TMDL, as specified in the enclosed tables.

<u>Water Body</u>	<u>Subsegment Number</u>	<u>Pollutants of Concern</u>
Mora River	NM-2306.A_000	Specific conductance, and Sedimentation/Siltation

The EPA also approves these loadings as updates to the State of New Mexico Water Quality Management Plan.

We commend you and your staff for the considerable effort that went into developing these TMDLs. If you would like to discuss these approvals, please contact me at (214) 665-7101 or Linda Adams of my staff at (214) 665-6546.

Sincerely yours,

William K. Honker, P.E.  
Acting Director  
Water Quality Protection Division

Enclosure

cc: James Hogan, NMED  
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***TMDL Loads And Concentrations***

Waterbody	Segment	Pollutant	WLA	LA	MOS	TMDL	Target Concen.
Mora River	NM-2306.A_000	Specific Conductance	12970 lbs/day	3754 lbs/day	663 lbs/day	17387 lbs/day	surrogate = 360 mg/L of TDS
Mora River	NM-2306.A_000	Sedimentation /Siltation	318 lbs/day	92.7 lbs/day	16.3 lbs/day	427 lbs/day	surrogate = 8.83 mg/L of TSS

***Mora River (Highway 434 to Luna Creek)******Waste Loads, NPDES Permits, and Concentrations***

Water body	Segment	Point Source Facility	NPDES #	Pollutant	Target Concen.	NPDES Loads	Permit Expires
Mora River	NM-2306.A_000	Mora High School Dewatering Wells	NM0031097	Specific Conductance	surrogate = 360 mg/L of TDS	12970 lbs/day	Recently submitted
Mora River	NM-2306.A_000	Mora High School Dewatering Wells	NM0031097	Sedimentation /Siltation	surrogate = 8.83 mg/L of TSS	318 lbs/day	Recently submitted